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Defendant Google respectfully submits this statement regarding Epic's Response, ECF No. 1070 (Mar. 3, 2025), ¹ to the Joint Statement submitted by Google, the States, and Consumers (the "Settling Parties"). ECF No. 1067 (Feb. 10, 2025).

This Court ordered the Settling Parties to file a joint statement addressing the consistency of the Proposed Settlement with the *Epic* Injunction. ECF No. 1056 (Nov. 22, 2024). The Court indicated that it would not approve a settlement that "contradicts or dilutes" the *Epic* Injunction. *Id.* The Settling Parties submitted a Joint Statement on February 10, 2025, to address the Proposed Settlement's consistency with the *Epic* Injunction. ECF No. 1067. The Joint Statement "compares the injunctive terms of the Proposed Settlement with the *Epic* Injunction and explains how the two would operate without contradiction or dilution." *Id.* at 1.

Epic's Response presents its view on the interpretation of Paragraph 5 of the *Epic* Injunction, but takes no position on the consistency of the Proposed Settlement and the *Epic* Injunction. The following three points remain clear, which Epic's Response does not address or dispute:

First, while the Settling Parties and Epic read Paragraph 5 of the *Epic* Injunction differently as to whether it includes a sim-ship prohibition, under either reading, nothing in the Proposed Settlement contradicts or dilutes Paragraph 5 of the *Epic* Injunction.

Second, if both the Proposed Settlement and the *Epic* Injunction go into effect, Google will have to comply with the terms of *both* decrees, and nothing in the Proposed Settlement would excuse Google from complying with Paragraph 5 of the *Epic* injunction.

Third, the Court's approval of the Proposed Settlement does not require the Court to interpret Paragraph 5 of the *Epic* Injunction at this time. To the extent Epic wants the Court to address whether Paragraph 5 covers sim ship agreements, it can ask the Court to do so at the appropriate time in the *Epic* case.

Accordingly, the Court should "approve the issuance of notice to affected consumers, the first step in the process leading to final settlement approval," ECF No. 1067 at 1, as requested by

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¹ All references are to the MDL Docket, *In re Google Play Store Antitrust Litigation*, No. 3:21-md-02981-JD.

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I, Glenn D. Pomerantz, am the ECF User whose ID and password are being used to file this document. In compliance with Civil Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), I hereby attest that the signatory identified above has concurred in this filing.

Glenn D. Pomerantz

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